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DETAILED ACTION

- 1. Claims 21,25,37, and 39 have been amended.
- 2. Claims 1-3, 5-13, 15-29, and 32-39 are pending.

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments filed 20 June 2007 have been fully considered and they are persuasive.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 4. Claims 1-3, 5-13, 15-29, and 32-39 are allowed.
- 5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The present invention is directed to an executable module generating decryption of an encrypted protective object in order to protect against unauthorized duplication of a library file. Each independent claim identifies the uniquely distinct features "adding dummy data to a protect code within an information processing unit".

The closest prior art, Glover (US Patent No. 6,052,780) discloses mechanisms for protecting digital information from being copied and mechanisms which permit authorized execution of computer program code or access to other digital information which is encrypted or otherwise encoded. However, either singularly or in combination, Glover fail to anticipate or render the claimed limitation the feature of adding dummy data to protect code within an information processing unit.

The closest prior art, Watanabe (US Patent No. 6,067,626) discloses a portable terminal device includes an information processing unit having a CPU which is a non-operating state, and an interface unit. When a data informing transmission of valid data is received from an external unit, the interface unit requests the external unit to stop the transmission of the valid data. At the same time, the interface unit transmits serial dummy data to the information processing unit. When the CPU is switched from a non-operating state to an operating state in response to reception of the serial dummy data, the interface unit requests the external unit to restart the transmission of the valid data. The interface unit transmits the valid data the information processing unit in serial. The CPU processes the valid data. However, either singularly or in combination, Watanabe fail to anticipate or render the claimed limitation the feature of adding dummy data to protect code within an information processing unit.

6. Therefore, claims 1,11-12,21,23-28,37, and 39, and the respective dependent claims 2-3, 5-10,13,15-20,22,29,32-36, and 38 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

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